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DISTRICT OF NEVADA

CASE NO. 3:08-CV-115-LRH-VPC

JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR LEAVE TO FILE PROPOSED SCHEDULING ORDER: ORDER

Plaintiffs,

WHITTINGTON on their own behalf and on behalf of

DAVID RIKER, ROGER LIBBY, TERRENCE

BROTHERS, JEFFREY HOSMER, MARK

v.

those similarly situated,

JAMES GIBBONS, Governor of Nevada; ROSS MILLER, Secretary of State of Nevada; CATHERINE CORTEZ MASTO, Attorney General of Nevada; HOWARD SKOLNIK, Director, Nevada Department of Corrections; ROBERT BANNISTER, Medical Director, Nevada Department of Corrections; and E.K. MCDANIEL, Warden, Ely State Prison,

Defendants.

HOSMER, MARK WHITTINGTON and Defendants JAMES GIBBONS, Governor of Nevada; ROSS MILLER, Secretary of State of Nevada; CATHERINE CORTEZ MASTO, Attorney

Plaintiffs DAVID RIKER, ROGER LIBBY, TERRENCE BROTHERS, JEFFREY

General of Nevada; HOWARD SKOLNIK, Director, Nevada Department of Corrections;

ROBERT BANNISTER, Medical Director, Nevada Department of Corrections; and E.K.

MCDANIEL, Warden, Ely State Prison, hereby jointly request an extension of time to file the 26(f) report until thirty (30) days after the court's ruling on the class certification.

Plaintiffs filed their Motion to Certify Class, ("the Motion") on March 11, 2008, and Defendants filed their Response to said Motion on May 15, 2008. On May 29, 2008 Plaintiffs filed their Reply to Defendants' Response and have yet to receive an Order regarding the Motion. Given that the parties do not know whether a class will be certified, extending the deadline for the discovery conference and report until after the Court rules will help streamline

the discovery process, as the parties anticipate different scheduling proposals depending on whether the class is certified in this case.

The Proposed Scheduling Order for any prisoners' rights Section 1983 case is due under the Rules within 30 days after Defendants' first Answer (May 15, 2008, Docket #22), which in this case would have passed on June 14, 2008. Local Rule 16-1(b). The parties have not yet engaged in a meaningful scheduling discussion, due to the pending motion for class certification. Attorneys for both sides agree that setting a schedule in the case is premature without knowing whether the case will be a Class Action.

Local Rule 26-2 specifies that whenever a discovery plan is not required to be filed (such as in this case as a Section 1983 prisoners' rights case per Local Rule 16-1(b)), that discovery will by default conclude 180 days after an Answer is filed, which in this case would be November 15, 2008. However, the parties anticipate stipulating to a longer schedule, with the Court's approval, once they receive the Court's ruling on the class certification Motion. As such, the parties hereby request leave to file a Proposed Scheduling Order within 30 days of this Court's Order on the class certification Motion, which will include a discovery period beyond the default 180 days specified in Local Rule 26-2.

This is Plaintiff's first request to extend time and no previous extension has been requested to file a scheduling order in this case, and this Motion is not made for improper purpose or delay.

DATED this __24__ day of October, 2008.

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	ORDER
IT IS SO ORDERED.	
DATED this 27th day of October	LARRY R. HICKS
	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE